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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 19, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application and in accordance with Rule 116 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: 1) a Notice of Appeal, accompanied by the appropriate fee; and 2) an Amendment Fee Transmittal, accompanied by the appropriate fee.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 11 of this paper.